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Re:      **Applicant(s):**                  John W. Jacobs and Elizabeth A. Dauch  
              **Assignee:**                          NEC Electronics America, Inc.  
              **Title:**                                  TUNGSTEN PLUG CORROSION PREVENTION METHOD USING  
    IONIZED AIR  
  
              **Application No.:**                  10/695,528  
              **Filing Date:**                        October 28, 2003  
              **Examiner:**                            Luan C. Thai  
              **Group Art Unit:**                    2891  
              **Attorney Docket No.:**            NEC0254US

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard
  - (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page, in duplicate)
  - (3) Response To Restriction Requirement (2 pages)

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Non-final Office Action dated May 5, 2005, having a shortened statutory period set to expire June 5, 2005.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

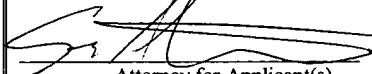
Group I. Claim 27, drawn to semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 698, 774.

Group II. Claims 1-26, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 629.

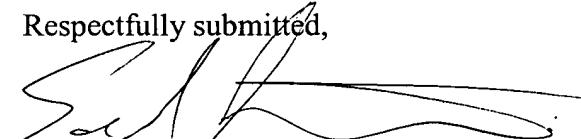
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In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, the applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-26, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 629.

Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice to the subject matter disclosed therein.

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